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Public Notice

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PUBLIC NOTICE NO.
MVM-2006-213-RM

Public Notice Date
May 11, 2006

Expiration Date
June 12, 2006

JOINT PUBLIC NOTICE: This public notice is issued jointly with the Missouri Department of Natural Resources. The Department of Natural Resources will use the comments to this notice in deciding whether to grant Section 401 water quality certification. Commenters are requested to furnish a copy of their comments to the Missouri Department of Natural Resources, Water Protection Program, P. O. Box 176, Jefferson City, MO 65102-0176.

AUTHORITY: This notice announces an application submitted for a Department of the Army Permit under Section 404 of the Clean Water Act, pursuant to 33 CFR 325, as published in the Federal Register dated November 13, 1986.

AGENT: Patrick D. Seyer
1504 CR 413
Oran, MO 63771

LOCATION: The proposed project is located approximately 12 miles northwest of Sikeston, MO on SR Y to CR 502, then east 1.0-mile to property (see enclosed Location Map Sheet 1 of 2). It is at latitude 36.9644°, longitude -89.7225°, in Sections 23 & 24, T27N, R12E, on the Vanduser USGS quadrangle map.

PURPOSE: To fill and grade a 1.1-acre wooded wetland and a 1.0-acre farmed wetland (see enclosed Conservation Plan Map Sheet 2 of 2).

DESCRIPTION OF WORK: The project would consist of depositing dredged and fill material into two wetlands sites totaling 2.1-acres. The sites are a 1.1-acre wooded wetland (WW) labeled UN-2 and a 1.0-acre farmed wetland (FW) labeled UN-7 on enclosure 2. The WW will be mitigated at a 3:1 ratio by restoring 3.3 acres of prior converted cropland adjacent to site UN-5 and the FW will be restored to the same site at a ratio of 1:1. The lost functions will be offset by planting 4.3 acres to bottomland hardwood seedlings.

The purpose of this public notice is to advise all interested parties of the activities for which a permit is sought and to solicit comments and information necessary to evaluate the probable impact on the public interest.

The Corps of Engineers evaluation of the impact of the activity on the public interest will include application of the guidelines promulgated by the Administrator, EPA, under authority of Section 404(b) of the Clean Water Act.

No endangered or threatened species, or their critical habitat, are known to exist in the project area. This application is being coordinated with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. Any comments they may have regarding endangered or threatened wildlife or plants, or their critical habitat, will be considered in our evaluation of the described work.

CULTURAL RESOURCES. The Memphis District will evaluate information provided by the State Historic Preservation Officer, Federally-recognized tribes, and the public in response to this public notice and we may conduct, or require a survey of the project area. A preliminary in-house records search indicated no sites have been recorded within the project area. However, the lack of recorded sites may be due to lack of cultural surveys around the project area.

The decision whether to issue a permit will be based on an evaluation of the probable impact, including cumulative impacts, of the activity on the public interest. That decision will reflect the national concern for both protection and utilization of important resources. The benefits, which reasonably may be expected to accrue from the activity, must be balanced against its reasonably foreseeable detriments. All factors which may be relevant to the activity will be considered, including the cumulative effects thereof; among those are conservation, economics, aesthetics, general environmental concerns, wetlands, cultural values, fish and wildlife values, flood hazards, floodplain values, land use, navigation, shoreline erosion and accretion, recreation, water supply and conservation, water quality, energy needs, safety, food and fiber production, mineral needs, considerations of property ownership and, in general, the needs and welfare of the people.

The Corps of Engineers is soliciting comments from the public; Federal, state, and local agencies and officials; Federally-recognized Tribes; and other interested parties in order to consider and evaluate the impacts of the proposed activity. Any comments received will be considered by the Corps of Engineers to determine whether to issue, modify, condition, or deny a permit for the proposal. To make this decision, comments are used to assess impacts on endangered species, historic properties, water quality, general environmental effects, and the other public interest factors listed above. Comments are used in preparation of an Environmental Assessment and/or an Environmental Impact Statement pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act. Comments are also used to determine the overall public interest of the proposed activity.

Any person who has an interest, which may be affected by the deposition of this material, may request a public hearing. The request must be submitted in writing to the District Engineer within the comment period of this notice and must clearly set forth the interest, which may be affected, and the manner in which the interest may be affected by this activity. The District Engineer will determine if the issues raised are substantial and whether a hearing is needed for making a decision.

If you wish to obtain additional information or to submit comments on the application, please contact Richard Mochow at the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers, 167 North Main Street, RM B202, Memphis, Tennessee 38103-1894, telephone 901/544-0732.

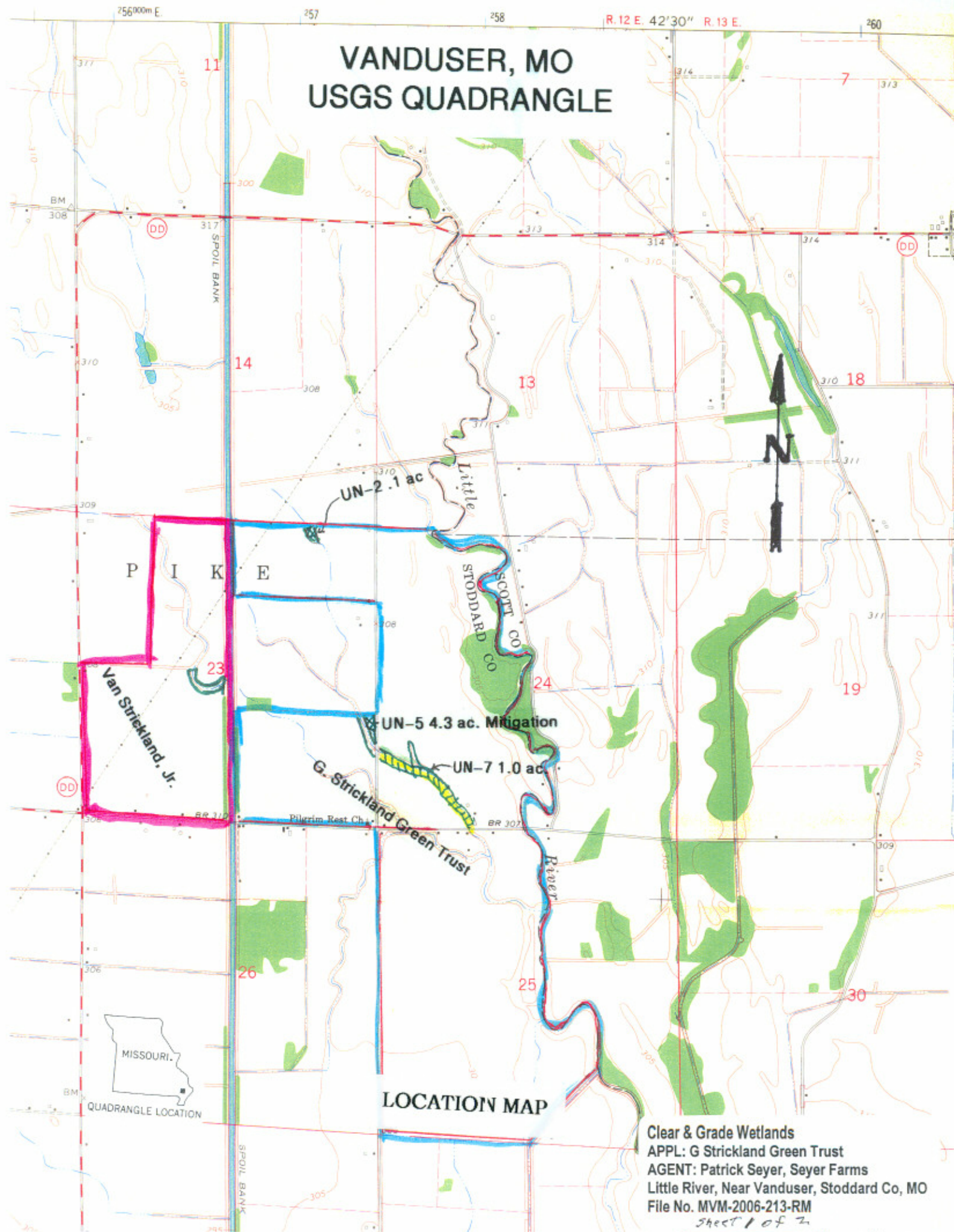
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LARRY D. WATSON
Chief
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VANDUSER, MO
USGS QUADRANGLE



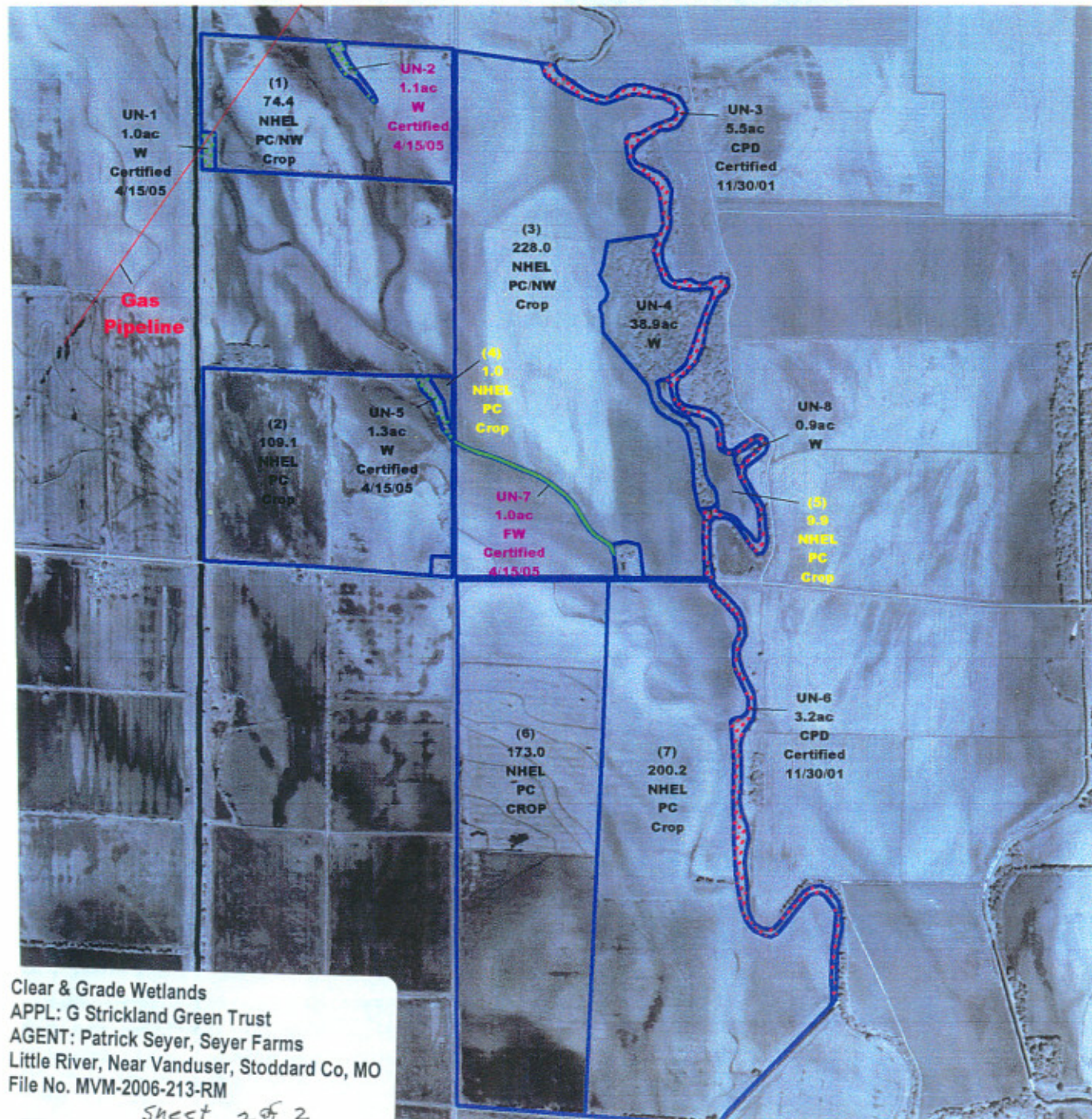
LOCATION MAP

Clear & Grade Wetlands
APPL: G Strickland Green Trust
AGENT: Patrick Seyer, Seyer Farms
Little River, Near Vanduser, Stoddard Co, MO
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Conservation Plan Map

Strickland Farms

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